Militancy in Kashmir

4012. SHRI GULAM NABI AZAD : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that inspite of the Central Government's tall claims that situation in Kashmir valley was under control, the militants in Anantnag District of Kashmir have succeeded in unleashing a region of terror ;

(b) whether Government agree that the situation in Kashmir was worsening in the absence of a proper Kashmir policy; and

(c) what measures Government have thought of for protection of citizens in the State and the details of the policy Central Government have been following in protecting the lives of the innocent people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) and (b) In the post Kargil phase, Pakistan sponsored terrorist organisations have tried their best to give a fillup to terrorist activities in the State of Jammu and Kashmir. The pro-active approach adopted by the security forces have ensured that the terrorists have been unable to achieve their nefarious designs. This gets empty reflected in the number of terrorist related incidents in which there has not been any appreciable increase compared to the corresponding period last year.

(c) The Government has adopted a multi pronged approach to curb militancy in Jammu and Kashmir, which includes, *inter-alia,* strengthening border management, neutralising plans of the militants by pro-active action against them in the hinterland, gearing up intelligence machinery, greater functional integration through an institutional frame work of operation Groups and Intelligence Group of the UHQ at all levels, improved technology weapons and equipments for security forces.

Steps are being taken to flush out terrorists and curb terrorist activities including close vigil on border, establishment of more naka parties in depth areas to check infiltration, exfiltration, more pickets intensive patrolling and extensive cordon and search operations.

Killing by Terrorist Groups in Assam

4013. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the army personnel and paramilitary forces and policemen killed by the terrorist groups in the State of Assam during the last six months and till date;

(b) the details of the innocent public killed by terrorists and anti-national elements during the last one year in the state of Assam; and

(c) the details of the compensation and exgratia payment by Government to the victims of the family members against such cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS SHRI I.D. SWAMI : (a) As per available information, 60 (sixty) personnel of security forces were killed by terrorist groups in Assam between July 1, 1999 and March, 31, 2000.

(b) As per available information, 220 civilians were killed by terrorist outfits during 1999 in Assam.

(c) An ex-gratia amount of Rs. 1 lakh is paid by the Government of Assam to the next of kin of civilians killed in terrorist violence. An ex-gratia amount of Rs. 5 lakh is paid to the dependents of the deceased of State Police, Army and other Central paramilitary forces. Special family pension to the next of kin and job on compassionate grounds to the eligible candidate of the family of deceased policemen has also been provided.

M/s. Perutek Dupes Investors

4014. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minster of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that recently M/s Perutek Services Ltd. (a) Pvt. Agro based NBFC), M-4, Chiranjiv Tower, New Delhi has duped thousands on investor across the country of several crores in fixed deposits, by closing all its offices in September, 1998;

(b) whether Government are also aware that an FIR No. 851/38 lodged at Nehru Place Police Station in the above case did not yield any positive outcome; and

(c) whether a CBI inquiry would be conducted into the incident, if so, by when alongwith the present steps being taken by Government to trace and return huge public money so locked with the company?